



For Bridgewater-Raritan Residents - kindergarten to 8th grade (2005/2006 school year)



Bridgewater Recreation In-Town Soccer

New registration format! Sign up for Fall & Spring together, Fall only or Spring only!

Fall 2005 & Spring 2006 Registration Form!

Fall 2005 Game Dates – Saturdays, September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5 & 12, 2005. Only if a whole Saturday of games is rained out will the 1st to 8th graders play on Saturday, November 19, 2005 (kindergarten program never gets rained out!). **Registration Deadline for Fall Soccer - Monday, August 15, 2005.**

Spring 2006 Game Dates – Saturdays, April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, June 3, 10 & 17, 2006 (no soccer May 27th). **Registration Deadline for Spring Soccer - Monday, March 6, 2006.**

Any registration received by the Recreation Department after 5:00pm on the above deadline dates will be considered late. The registration will be placed on a waiting list with no guarantees of being placed on a team or receiving a mesh-shirt. If not placed a refund will be issued.

Three ways to register! In person at the Bridgewater Recreation Department (Municipal Building – 700 Garretson Road) 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, drop registration off in the “REC” mailbox located around back of the Municipal building before or after office hours, or via postal service. If mailing the registration form close to the deadlines (listed above), form must reach the Recreation Department on the above specified deadline date by 5:00pm. If form is received after specified deadlines, late payment will be required.

Kindergarten Soccer is for all Bridgewater-Raritan resident boys and girls attending kindergarten (2005/2006 school year). On Saturday afternoons the kindergarten soccer games for Bridgewater Recreation will be at Soccer Centers in Somerset! *To get to Soccer Centers take I-287 to exit 12 at the end of the ramp make a left onto Weston Canal Road, at the first light make a left onto Cottontail Lane, go 7/10 of a mile and make a right onto Memorial Drive, Soccer Centers will be ahead at the end of the street - 300 Memorial Drive.* What is Soccer Centers? It is the largest state of the art bubble of its kind in the tri-state area. A turf surface encompasses a total of 44,000 square foot area of playing space. At Soccer Centers our eight (8) week program will expose our kindergartners to non-competitive instructional games with training designed by Soccer Centers “European Level I” trainers. Trainers and coaches will work with the players during games assisting them in learning positions and maintaining spacing. Both coaches and players will have a better understanding of soccer, creating a foundation for future growth. End of year medals will be issued. Teams will be playing both inside (turf) and outside (grass) on the fields at Soccer Centers. Teams will need to be prepared to play on both surfaces each week (weather permitting). Games will never get canceled due to weather conditions and are played anywhere from 12:00pm to 5:00pm.

1st Grade Soccer (new format for this year!) is for all Bridgewater-Raritan resident boys and girls currently in 1st grade (2005/2006 school year). On Saturday mornings the 1st grade soccer program will take place at Adamsville School (Route 28/Union Ave). The trainers from Soccer Centers will be on hand to referee games, site supervise, work with the participants and coaches to further their soccer skills and knowledge! Games are Saturdays anywhere from 8:30am to 2:00pm.

2nd to 8th Grade Soccer is for all Bridgewater-Raritan resident boys and girls currently in 2nd grade to 8th grade (2005/2006 school year). Games are on Saturdays anywhere from 8:30am to 2:00pm and will be played in Bridgewater Township and neighboring towns.

★ **General Information for all grades of Bridgewater Recreation In-Town Soccer...** ★

Practices for all grades will take place weekdays anywhere from 3:30pm to 7:30pm beginning the third week of September for the Fall season and the second week of April for the Spring season. All practices are held outdoors in the Bridgewater area. They are scheduled by the availability of the volunteer coaches and field availability, expect to travel. Participants will be contacted via their coach regarding program information prior to practices.

Teams are formulated by the Recreation Department. Boys and girls play on separate teams. Once child is placed on a team, there will be no switching for that season for any reason. Participants are not allowed to play in both the In-Town program and Traveling soccer. If there is a problem during the season with a coach or team, please contact Recreation immediately to handle the issue.

Equipment reversible mesh-shirts for grades 1st to 8th and t-shirts for kindergarten soccer are issued by the Recreation Department in the Fall and are to be worn in the Fall and Spring seasons. Only new Spring participants will receive a shirt. Requirement of the participants: shorts, shin guards, ball (*appropriate ball size - #3 for kindergarten, first & second; #4 for third & fourth and #5 for fifth, sixth, seventh & eighth grades*), cleats or sneakers. Please note: Participants are prohibited from wearing jewelry, earrings, or casts while taking part in any recreational program.

Interested in Volunteering? The Township of Bridgewater requires any and all volunteers for any program to be certified in the following two courses...

Rutgers Youth Sports Safety Orientation & Training Workshop

Mandatory for all volunteers of youth sports. Coaches and assistants who attend this workshop will be covered under the law, which provides immunity from civil damages. It is mandatory for all coaches and assistants participating in Township activities to become certified. The workshop will be held at the Bridgewater Senior Citizen Center on **Mondays, September 19, 2005 and April 17, 2006** from 6:30 to 10:00pm. No Cost to Bridgewater Township Recreation Coaches. Class includes participant receiving a book, reference manuals and certification card. If you are in need of certification and have a conflict with the above dates contact the Rutgers Youth Sports Research Council at (732) 932-7178 or visit their website at www.youthsports.rutgers.edu for other clinics in the area. Space is limited, registration is based on first come first serve at the Bridgewater Recreation Department, Bridgewater-Raritan resident coaches will be taken first before out of town coaches if course fills up.

Mandatory Safety Background Checks – KidSafe

In the interest of the safety and welfare of Bridgewater Youth, the Bridgewater Township Council adopted a local ordinance (Township Ordinance #04-10) requiring criminal background checks for Bridgewater Township Recreation volunteer coaches. The ordinance requires all Bridgewater Township Recreation volunteer coaches to be fingerprinted through KidSafe so that state and federal criminal background checks can be conducted. Persons will not be eligible to coach youth sports programs sponsored by the Bridgewater Township Recreation Department unless they have passed a criminal background check. The next set of fingerprinting sessions will be held on **Wednesdays, September 28, 2005, January 11 and April 26, 2006** at the Bridgewater Senior Center from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. Pre-Register through the Bridgewater Recreation Department. If you need to get fingerprinted and have a conflict with the above dates contact KidSafe at (732) 922-2209 or visit their website at www.ksrc.us for other sessions in the area.

Registration forms for the above courses can be obtained at www.bridgewaternj.gov. If you are planning to attend a Rutgers Clinic or KidSafe check outside of Bridgewater Township, pre-certification from the Bridgewater Recreation Department is required. Please call the Recreation Department during office hours for more information.



Bridgewater Recreation In-Town Soccer 2005-2006 Registration Form

If registering more than one child, separate checks and forms are required. Please print legibly.

Participant's

Last _____ **First** _____ **Circle** _____
Name: _____ Name: _____ Gender: Male or Female

Mailing _____
Address: _____ Town: _____ Zip: _____

Home _____ **Cell** _____
Phone #: () _____ Phone #: () _____

Work _____ **Email** _____
Phone #: () _____ Address: _____

Circle **Grade**

2005/2006 School year: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Circle **School Attending:** (*if attending private school, circle Private and the local school the child would be attending)

Adamsville Bradley Gardens B.R.M.S. Crim Eisenhower Hamilton Hillside J.F.K. Milltown Van Holten Private*

Choose from one of the three registration options below, Y the appropriate payment ~...

Both Fall 2005 & Spring 2006 Soccer Seasons Registrations!

September to November and April to June

Registration Deadline:
Monday, August 15, 2005

Participated **Spring 2005** Season?

~ Yes or ~ No

If yes, Coach/Team Played with/on **Spring 2005** Season?

If child did not play in **Spring 2005** season, did they play in the **Fall 2004** Season? If yes, coach/team:

~ **Kindergarten Soccer** \$100.00 (\$105.00 late)
Bridgewater-Raritan Residents check payable to "Soccer Centers".

~ **1st grade Soccer Bridgewater Resident** \$70.00 (\$80.00 late); **Raritan Resident** \$80.00 (\$90.00 late) check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

~ **Bridgewater Resident. 2nd to 8th Grade Soccer** \$60.00 (\$70.00 late), check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

~ **Raritan Resident. 2nd to 8th Grade Soccer** \$70.00 (\$80.00 late), check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

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Monday, August 15, 2005

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~ Yes or ~ No

If yes, Coach/Team Played with/on **Spring 2005** Season?

If child did not play in **Spring 2005** season, did they play in the **Fall 2004** Season? If yes, coach/team:

~ **Kindergarten Soccer** \$50.00 (\$55.00 late)
Bridgewater-Raritan Residents check payable to "Soccer Centers".

~ **1st grade Soccer Bridgewater Resident** \$35.00 (\$45.00 late); **Raritan Resident** \$40.00 (\$50.00 late) check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

~ **Bridgewater Resident. 2nd to 8th Grade Soccer** \$30.00 (\$40.00 late), check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

~ **Raritan Resident. 2nd to 8th Grade Soccer** \$35.00 (\$45.00 late), check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

Spring 2006 Soccer Season April to June

Registration Deadline:
Monday, March 6, 2006

Participated **Fall 2005** Season?

~ Yes or ~ No

If yes, Coach/Team Played with/on **Fall 2005** Season?

If child did not play in **Fall 2005** season, did they play in the **Spring 2005** Season? If yes, coach/team:

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~ **Raritan Resident. 2nd to 8th Grade Soccer** \$35.00 (\$45.00 late), check payable to "Bridgewater Township".

All information regarding team placement is checked from past season's rosters for accuracy! This is a contact sport. Injuries may occur. Please note that Bridgewater Township Recreation Department does not provide individual medical coverage for its participants. Each participant will be covered under his/her family's medical policy. It is recommended that families have insurance before the child participates. The Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel, alter, supplement, limit registration or change any other information. By signing this registration form, I as the parent/guardian understand that the Bridgewater Recreation Department has the right to place my child on a team that is in the best interest of the program. If I am not content with this situation, I am entitled to a refund before the first practice of the season.

Parent/Guardian Signature

_____/_____/_____
Date

Bridgewater Recreation Department
P.O. Box 6300/700 Garretson Road - Bridgewater, NJ 08807
(908) 725-6373 office hours 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday
www.bridgewaternj.gov



Bridgewater Township **requires all volunteers** to be both *Rutgers Certified* and *KidSafe* background checked, please Y appropriately...

~ I (~ am/ ~ would like to be) a **head coach**.

~ I (~ am/ ~ would like to be) an **assistant coach**.

~ I (~ am/ ~ need to be) **Rutgers Certified**.

~ Yes, fingerprinted/background checked with **KidSafe!**
~ No, need to be checked by KidSafe.

~ I've marked my calendar and am planning to attend an upcoming session of one or both of the above prequisites to volunteer.